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## Murdered on a dare....

The death of Tara Cole has fueled a growing outrage of anger and resentment against two young men who have been charged in her murder. But even more profound is the issue of homeless families and individuals who survive by the law of the streets. Some advocates say we are all the blame for Tara's senseless death. The negative sentiment and insufferable attitudes against the homeless across America is the real killer....

By: Dr. Sybil C. Mitchell  
Tri-State Defender

Tara Cole at age 16 was a typical teenager who enjoyed being with her friends, hanging out in the malls, and spending endless hours chatting on the phone. And, like other teens, she

dreamed of making her mark in the world through music. She was reaching for the sky.... But at age 22, a devastating and sobering diagnosis sent all her dreams into disarray. She had been diagnosed with bi-polar disorder, a devastating and debilitating mental disease that plagues a person with extreme

mood swings and irrational fears grounded in paranoia and unfounded mistrust. A musically gifted young woman full of promise and possibilities, to control the disorder Tara had to face what she felt was a despairing and dismal future on prescribed medications. "Tara was not living on the street

because she had to live on the street," said Pearle Cole, her mother. "It was a choice she made. When she was on her medication, she would live at home and function quite normally. But when she made a decision to stop taking the meds, the disease would overtake her, and she would leave home.

Tara does not fit the conventional mold and perception of the homeless person.

"Tara died with a full bank account," said Mrs. Cole. "We really didn't know where she was living until we got the call from Nashville that the body found in the river was quite possibly hers." Along with the city of Nashville and the nation, Tara's parents, were horrified to learn that on Friday, Aug. 11, that two young men from East Tennessee had rolled Tara Cole into the Cumberland River at Nashville's Riverfront Park. Timothy S. Webber, 21, of Lebanon, Tenn. and Josh S. Dotts, 22, of Lafayette, Tenn. found the homeless young woman sleeping on the dock, according to other homeless individuals who witnessed the incident. They kept daring each other to roll her into the river until one of them said he would. Then he did. Two other persons, who drove into Nashville that night with Webber and Dotts, are being considered as witnesses to the homicide. Webber and Dotts are also being

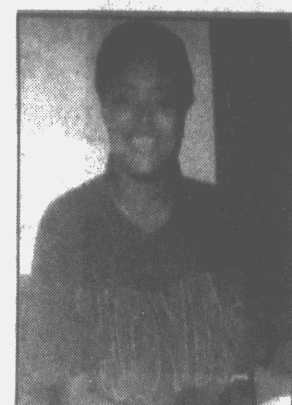
## THE TARA COLE STORY



Tara Cole as a baby.



Tara Cole as a young student.



Tara Cole as a young woman.

## Leader weighs in on naming



By T. Scott Batchelor  
The Daily Reflector

At 92, D.D. Garrett has seen a lot of controversies come and go. The stalwart black community leader and longtime businessman recently weighed in on a

current one that has pitted the Greenville City Council against groups that support renaming all of Fifth Street for Martin Luther King Jr. A 4-2 vote by the City Council on Aug. 10 set in motion a process to rename U.S. 264 Bypass for King.

The dissenting council members, the board's black members, said the vote was rushed by their white colleagues. Councilwoman Rose Glover charged them with colluding to name the bypass for the slain civil rights leader rather than continuing his name along all of Fifth Street.

But Garrett — the county's first black commissioner, a life member of the NAACP and member of the local chapter's executive committee — declines to lend fuel to the fire. "I think the City Council has

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## Patricia Timmons - Goodson Out to Make History – Again!

If successful November 7, Fayetteville resident will be first African American woman ever elected to Supreme Court of North Carolina

Most people would agree: Patricia Timmons-Goodson doesn't exactly look like a history maker.

But a North Carolina history maker she is. Two times now, and going for three on November 7.

The 52-year-old Fayetteville resident will put her name in the state's history books again in November when she becomes the first African American woman popularly elected to serve on the

Supreme Court of North Carolina.

Only African American On N.C. Supreme Court

Timmons-Goodson is already an Associate Justice on the state's highest court, appointed to the position in January by Governor Mike Easley. Her appointment made her the first African American woman in the history of the state to sit on the Supreme Court.

Justice Timmons-Goodson is on the statewide, nonpartisan ballot for Associate Justice in November, one of five seats on the Supreme Court being contested this year. She is the only African American

currently serving on the Supreme Court.

Justice Timmons-Goodson is the fourth African American to actually serve on the Supreme Court, but only former Chief Justice Henry Frye of Greensboro was elected by voters in a statewide election to the position. Justices Jimi Wynn and G. K. Butterfield were appointed to the Supreme Court, but were unsuccessful in their elections. Wynn is now a judge on the N.C. Court of Appeals. Butterfield is U.S. Representative for North Carolina's 1<sup>st</sup> Congressional District.

But, back to Justice Timmons-Goodson and her history making  
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Making History In Greenville . . . pictured above from left to right is Mrs Beatrice Henderson, Calvin Henderson (local NAACP President), Michael Adams (editor M' Voice Newspaper), Justice Timmons-Goodson, (candidate for The Supreme Court), Taffaye Benson Clayton (

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# OPINION



GEORGE E. CURRY

## Election Day Should be 'Hammer Time'

After Benjamin L. Cardin, a White Congressman, defeated Kweisi Mfume, the former president of the NAACP and ex-chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus, African-American politicians in Maryland almost stumbled over one another in a mad rush to endorse Cardin. Sen. Barack Obama, everyone's flavor of the month, even parachuted in to endorse Cardin. He appeared on the scene so quickly that it was more like they loaded him in a cannon and aimed him toward the Baltimore Harbor.

The sight of grinning Black elected officials rushing to endorse a White Democrat is a familiar scene. What made this bum-rush so noteworthy was that after Mfume filed to fill an open Senate seat, the party went out and recruited Cardin to run against him. With limited resources and lacking the support of party bosses, Mfume still came within 9 percentage points of defeating Cardin. If he had won, Maryland's Senate race would have featured two African-Americans, guaranteeing that one would be elected to office.

I know for a fact that at one point during the primary, Mfume was so disappointed with the professional Democrats that he contemplated endorsing Steele in the event he lost the primary. When he was chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus, he demonstrated that kind of courage and boldness. I suspect that because Cardin is

a friend and former colleague, Mfume decided not to bolt his Party this time.

Still, it's the same old sorry story: Blacks get mistreated and after complaining about being taken for granted, they dutifully line up to pick cotton. Or, in this case, Black votes. I don't know what gets into Black leaders between the time they complain and the time the party selects its White nominee. As someone said about one prominent Black leader, "He's like a terrorist - all he wants is money and a plane."

It's time for a change and clearly that change is not going to come from Black elected officials who are forever wedded to their Democratic overseers. The change, if it's to occur, must come from those not seeking the favor of either party.

If we are truly tired of being taken for granted by one major party and just plain

taken by the other, then it's time to take a stand. Here's my modest proposal for my fellow Black Marylanders - teach both parties a lesson by voting for the Black Republican, Lt. Gov. Michael Steele. On the issue of affirmative action, Michael Steele is no Clarence Thomas. I disagree with Steele on most public policy issues. He is a Republican in every sense of the word.

But like the voting in New Orleans, this is not about one person. It's larger than that. This is about demanding respect. And I can think of no better way to get the attention of both parties than, in this one instance, voting Republican to make a point. Some party leaders may not be able to read and write but they can count. If we do this, everyone will have to do some different kind of figuring. Republicans will have an incentive to court the Black votes and Democrats will have to work in earnest to

earn the respect of African-Americans.

Blacks make up 29 percent of Maryland's population. That's the fifth-highest percentage in the country. Among registered voters, about one in five Maryland voters is an African-American. That, combined with an expected lower turnout in this non-presidential election, means that African-Americans can determine who wins or loses. That's why we can't waste this golden opportunity.

It's hammer time. It's time to lower the boom on White and Black Democrats who think that it's okay to disrespect Black voters and then expect them to go to the polls in significant numbers on Election Day simply to support the Democratic slate.

Let's be clear. I am not advocating supporting all Black Republicans running this year - some of them are far worse than the White Democratic alternative. The

GOP, in general, has to provide more than compassionate rhetoric; Republicans need to compile a compassionate record on social issues. And they are a long way from that.

The most recent NAACP Civil Rights Report Card, issued in February for the 108th Congress, showed that 98 percent of all Republicans in the U.S. House and Senate earned an F. By contrast, only 2 percent of Democrats failed to support civil rights issues.

Voting for Michael Steele would send shock waves through both major parties. And that's exactly what we need. Otherwise, two years from now, we'll still be complaining about Democrats taking us for granted and Republicans just taking us.

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## National Voter ID Legislation Poses a Direct Threat to the Right to Vote



by Marc H. Morial  
NNPA Columnist

Just two months after overwhelmingly passing the Voting Rights Act Reauthorization of 2006, the U.S. House of Representatives recently reversed its commitment to ensuring the right to vote for all. Under legislation passed recently, they want U.S. citizens to show proof of their citizenship to vote and then show photo I.D. when they cast their ballots.

Introduced by Illinois Republican Rep. Henry Hyde, the bill, titled the Federal Election Integrity Act of 2006 (H.R. 4844), passed the House by a vote of 228 to 195. In the process, lawmakers are threatening to disenfranchise thousands of elderly, poor and minority Americans by burdening them with costly and inconvenient requirements.

Only a quarter of eligible voters have passports, which cost \$97 to obtain, and naturalization papers used to prove citizenship cost \$210 to be replaced.

An estimated 6 to 12 percent of voters do not have government-issued photo identification, according to

the U.S. Department of Transportation.

People of color, people with disabilities, the elderly, young, and people who live in poverty are among the groups least likely to have documents proving their citizenship. In certain parts of the United States, elderly African Americans and many Native Americans were born at home, under the care of midwives, and do not possess birth certificates.

According to a University of Wisconsin study from June, 2005, 23 percent of persons aged 65 and older in that state did not have driver's licenses or photo identification. It also found that less than half of African-American men in Milwaukee County had valid driver's licenses.

H.R. 4844, while appealing on the surface, poses one of the greatest threats to fair and equal voting rights today. We should be focusing on encouraging full participation of our citizenry, not finding new ways to hinder the precious right to vote.

While it would be great if all citizens had documents such as a passport or a birth certificate readily available, the truth is that many do not, which means that they would have to pay for them in order to vote.

Four states - Georgia, Missouri, Indiana and Arizona - have enacted laws requiring photo ID to vote. In two of those states, federal courts have struck them down as unconstitutional.

In 2005, a federal judge in Georgia characterized the requirement as a poll tax. I can't agree more: It's a 21st Century poll tax.

The bill's proponents maintain they're trying to crack down on voting fraud.

But I would say they are perpetuating the greatest fraud of all. They're trying to prevent eligible Americans from exercising their most sacred and important civil right. Falsely claiming citizenship and voting fraudulently have long been federal offenses.

According to the Brennan Center for Justice, Americans are as likely to commit election fraud as they are getting killed by lightning. Since October of 2002, a total of 86 U.S. residents have been convicted of federal election fraud, while nearly 197,000,000 ballots have been cast in general elections.

In Ohio, a statewide survey found four instances of ineligible persons voting or attempting to vote in 2002 and 2004, out of 9,078,728 votes cast - a rate of 0.00004 percent. Cathy Cox, the secretary of state for Georgia, has admitted that she could not recall one documented case of voter impersonation at the polls during her nine years as the state's top election official.

It is obvious that our current laws against voting fraud work when properly enforced.

Even if voters have valid ID, many eligible voters will be turned away because H.R.

4844 would place an inordinate amount of discretion in the hands of overworked and sometimes poorly trained poll workers. Deciding whether a voter matches or does not match the photo in an ID card - which can be many years old - is a very subjective process and prone to mistakes.

What U.S. House members want to demand of Americans is far more than what is required of them to run for office. All most congressional candidates have to do when declaring their candidacy is sign a pledge that they are U.S. citizens - much like what voters sign when registering to vote.

Shouldn't Congress be a little more worried about the state of electronic voting machines? It seems to me that they're the cause of more voting irregularities than individual voting fraud.

With midterm elections approaching, I can only surmise that House lawmakers are trying to improve their political prospects with constituents concerned with illegal immigration. Instead of producing viable immigration reform, the U.S. House decided to try to crack down on the few illegal aliens who might be voting in federal elections.

Now that's not what I consider government efficiency.

**Marc H. Morial is president and CEO of the National Urban League.**

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Halloween has become one of the most popular adult party occasions. This year, if you're hosting a party with alcohol beverages, RA Jeffreys Distributing and Anheuser-Busch remind you to follow a few simple tips to make sure everyone plays it safe, while being scary. Be certain to have plenty of food and non-alcohol drinks on hand. Serve each guest one beverage at a time and encourage them to space their drinks throughout evening. Stop serving alcohol at least one hour before the party ends and most importantly, help your friends get home safely either with a designated

driver, by calling them a cab or by asking them to spend the night.

On Halloween, have fun being scary, but play it safe. To help ensure everyone has an enjoyable time, join the more than 146 million Americans adults who have been or used a designated driver. Remember, Responsibility Matters.

Sincerely,

Leigh Jeffreys  
Vice President  
RA Jeffreys Distributing Co., LLC





# OPINION



GEORGE E. CURRY

By George E. Curry

It's astounding that New York Sen. Hillary Clinton is considered a front-runner to capture the 2008 Democratic nomination for president. After losing year after year with weak, northern nominees, one would think that the Party would have learned its lesson by now. Evidently, it hasn't. The only way Democrats have been able to win 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue in nearly a half century has been by nominating a Southerner. That's right, a Bubba. You don't have to be a rocket or social scientist to figure that out. In fact, you don't even have to be a scientist.

## Hillary Clinton isn't the Answer to Democratic Woes

Look at the record. Since John F. Kennedy, a U.S. Senator from Massachusetts, was elected in 1960, the only Democrats elected president have been his vice president, Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas; Jimmy Carter of Georgia and Bill Clinton of Arkansas. In the case of Clinton and Vice President Al Gore, it was technically a Double-Bubba ticket, with two Southerners heading the ticket. Actually, it was more like 1.5 Bubbas; though Gore claims Tennessee as his home, he grew up in Washington, D.C. as the son of a United States senator.

Yet, Democrats seem lost when trying to pick a candidate for president. They can't find their butts with both hands, a map and an OnStar navigation system. They are clueless and, in many instances, spineless. A poll released two weeks ago by the Pew Research Center for The People & The Press found that Democrats

couldn't be better positioned to win back the White House and retake at least one chamber of Congress.

"Voters are expressing strong and consistent anti-Republican attitudes," the report stated. "The GOP lags well behind the Democratic Party on nearly all major issues, including the economy, Iraq, education, health care, the environment and the budget deficit. And the Republicans have lost ground in recent years even on such traditional strengths as terrorism and improving the nation's morality."

A famous Democrat, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, said: "We have nothing to fear but fear itself." Sen. John Kerry, another loser from Massachusetts, correctly noted that, "Now, we got a president and the only thing he got to sell is fear itself."

The Bush administration may be peddling fear, but fewer Americans are buying it.

"The Republican Party's advantage over the Democratic Party in dealing with the terrorist threat at home - which was as large as 30 points in January 2002 - has declined to nine points in the current survey," the Pew study says. "In addition, the public is increasingly skeptical that the U.S. is prevailing in the war on terrorism."

With the November general election less than two months away, Democrats received some encouraging news about the prospect of recapturing at least the U.S. House of Representatives.

"As in six previous surveys over the past 12 months, voters by a wide margin say they favor the Democratic congressional candidate in their district (50%-39%)," Pew observed.

Of 17 major issues - such as Iraq, the economy, taxes, health care, budget deficits, employment, crime and

immigration - the public favored Democrats on 16 issues. Republicans had the edge in only one area.

"The Republican Party continues to hold a substantial lead in terms of having the 'stronger' political leaders - 43% say the GOP has stronger leaders, compared to 30% who see the Democratic Party's leaders as stronger," the poll found. "This is a narrower margin than in April, when Republicans held a 53% to 26% edge in this area, but still stands out as one of the few Republican advantages going into the election season."

The reason Republicans are perceived as stronger leaders is because, in general, they hold strong, clearly articulated views. They expect and demand Party loyalty. And if one of their members gets out of line, he or she is swiftly punished. Equally important, GOP handlers have been skillful in mischaracterizing their opponents, painting

those who raise questions about the U.S. presence in Iraq as traitors and linking the invasion of Iraq to the fight on terrorism.

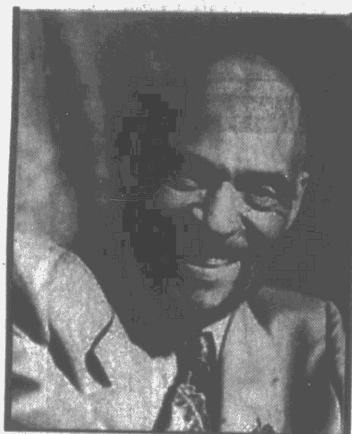
At the same time, Democrats have been their own worst enemy. They have been timid in challenging Bush on the war in Iraq and haven't exemplified courage on simple things; they got caught up trying to label a Christmas tree a "holiday tree." Voters don't want their leaders to be politically correct - they want them to be correct.

And the correct thing for Democrats to do is to nominate a Southerner for president.

In the 10 presidential elections since the John F. Kennedy-Lyndon B. Johnson era ended in 1968, Democrats have won only three times, counting Clinton's 1996 re-election victory. With a record like that, even poor students of history should have learned by now.

## What Happens When Blacks Suppress White Votes?

by Earl Ofari Hutchinson



Earl Ofari Hutchinson is a political analyst and social issues commentator, and the author of the forthcoming book *The Emerging Black GOP Majority, a hard-hitting look at Bush and The GOP's court of black voters.*

LOS ANGELES—News that the Justice Department has filed a lawsuit against blacks in Noxubee County, Miss., accusing black Democratic party officials of suppressing white votes at first seems laughable, if not downright absurd. For nearly a century, Mississippi whites used every trick in the book, from intimidation to physical violence, to keep blacks from the polls.

The lawsuit seems even more crazy given the well-documented reports of continued voter intimidation and suppression against black voters nationwide. The NAACP, a legion of citizen watchdog groups, People For the American Way and Democrats have filed lawsuits in Florida, Ohio, Missouri and other states claiming vote fraud before and after the 2004 presidential elections.

There is no smoking-gun proof that the Bush Justice Department systematically

subverted the enforcement provisions of the Voting Rights Act to diminish black political strength and bolster the Republicans. But Bush did not aggressively fight to implement the Help America Vote Act of 2002, or lobby Congress to speed up funding for the initiative. Furthermore, Republican voter groups were caught red-handed in Oregon and Nevada dumping Democratic voter registrations. Republican registrars have limited the number of ballots, cut back the number of polling places in heavily black neighborhoods and rejected thousands of applications on the most spurious technical grounds.

The Justice Department has taken no action in these cases. Instead, it has taken action against Noxubee County blacks. And it should have.

Blacks outnumber whites 3-to-1 in the county. The crushing number advantage guarantees that they'd dominate county politics in a fair election. Instead, says the Justice Department, the black chair of the county Democratic Party chose to cheat to disfranchise whites by intimidation, bribery, falsifying and manipulating absentee ballots and even importing black outsiders to run for office.

If whites had used the same tactics, blacks would have loudly screamed foul and demanded that the Justice Department take action. But they have largely kept silent

in this case, in part because of their fierce loathing of the Bush administration, and in part due to their deep suspicion that the Justice Department is using the lawsuit as yet another ploy to diminish black voting strength.

The caution is understandable, but this walking on racial eggshells leaves blacks prone to the charge that they propagate double standards on race: that, when a white commits a racially offensive act, blacks rush to condemn it but are silent when an African-American does the same thing. That swings the door open even wider for blacks who commit crimes or inappropriate acts to blame whites for their misdeeds, and thereby divert attention from their wayward acts, or even get support and sympathy for them.

The endless line of black politicians, ministers and sports icons know the drill well. Whenever they are accused or convicted of sexual hijinks, bribery, corruption, drug dealing and even murder, they reflexively shout that they are victims of a racist conspiracy. It's a well-worn tactic, but it's a sure-fire crowd pleaser because many blacks are conditioned to believe that anything whites do or say toward and about them is malicious.

The problem with this is that the victims of the misdeeds of black miscreants are almost always other blacks.

That's true with the flap in Noxubee County, too. Though whites are the target of voting abuses, black voters now are forced to take the heat from the Justice Department. The Department will be hawk-like in watching for any sign, real or imagined, that blacks have abused the voting process there. The state's Democratic Party will keep black county officials at arms length. The press will brand Noxubee County a symbol of political corruption. The implicit meaning is that when blacks grab political power in Southern counties, they are just as prone as whites to bend, twist and subvert the political process.

The ultimate winner in all this is the Bush administration. The suit deflects attention from the Justice Department's see-no-evil, hear-no-evil stance against accusations that Republicans have suppressed the black vote in the South and the Latino and American Indian vote in other states. It boosts the Justice Department's image as an even-handed enforcer of voting rights laws. With mid-term elections weeks away, and with Republicans and Democrats locked in intense battles for Senate and House seats in some states, the issue of black voter suppression almost certainly will again be a hot issue in some places. The vote muddle in Noxubee County makes it that much harder to sell the notion that blacks, not whites, are still the prime target of voter suppression.

## Letter to the Editor:

This story might not be of interest to your paper, but it was disturbing to me and I wanted to voice my opinion. I was a visitor to the beautiful city of Greenville, NC on September 30, 2006, and attended a hair show at the Greenville Convention Center with family members who reside in Rocky Mount, NC. Before the show began, the emcee came on stage to let the viewing audience know the rules and the grading scale. I was surprised to see a center of this caliber have so many technical difficulties.

These difficulties presented problems for many of the salons performing. There were several great stylists who presented their works of art.

I was shocked when the winner was announced.

Kut-N-Up Salon, under the direction of Big Willie Styles, theme was the Seven Deadly Sins and the setting was in the Garden of Eden. This theme afforded us the luxury of seeing every blasphemy to God known to man. For starters, there were more than the eight people on the stage than the rules allowed and gentlemen, who were obviously homosexuals, were dressed as angels in the Garden of Eden. There were more sexual innuendos than you can purchase at a porn store. Sexual connotations were grounds for automatic disqualification, according to the rules. Imagine my surprise when they were not disqualified but were also give the \$3000.00 prize. With this group, the rules were clearly broken. There were plenty of lewd sexual acts on display. Don't tell me the rules, if they are not going to be enforced. If the judges were going to pick a group based on popularity, then why bother making everyone else perform. Don't try to insult my intelligence. Forget the performance. Their hair wasn't that spectacular either!

Sincerely,

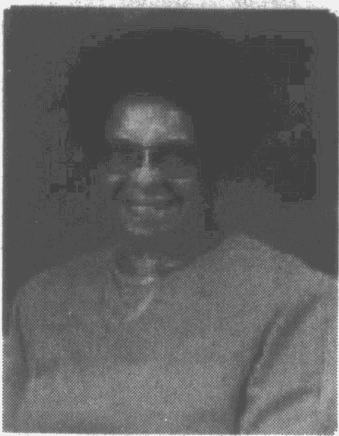
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# COMMUNITY NEWS



Mrs. Beatrice Maye

The editor,

Commendations to the Public Works Department under the leadership of Mr. Tom Tysinger — garbage, street cleaning and removal of trees and limbs among others, but my concern centers around those homeowners and renters who put their refuse or garbage unboxed or somewhat disorderly on the edge of the street where dogs and cats or the wind scatter and blow away. That affects the beauty, sanitation and cleanliness of the street and its surroundings. There are specific days the trucks pick up such. Respect those days, please. Surely, I'm aware that

leaflets, brochures and the media do their part, but let's exert more personal pride. If nothing else works, perhaps the owners and renters may be penalized. And don't forget those homes that are empty, nailed up, where the yards are poorly kept — grass not cut, telephone books on porches, papers or other litter. Yes, we have Neighborhood Watch Programs and street or community clubs/organizations, but until we assume personal concern, are we fighting a losing battle? "We can do little alone but we can do much together."

Beatrice Maye

The Editor

I invite you to get into your spiritual vehicle, buckle your belt, and get ready for a ride of your life on the road to success. The road to success is not straight. There is a curve called FAILURE, a loop called CONFUSION, special bumps called FRIENDS, and

red lights called ENEMIES, cautious lights called DISAPPOINTMENTS, and flats called JOBS. But, if you have a spare called DETERMINATION, and engine called FAITH, and a driver called JESUS, you will make it to a place called SUCCESS. Get the road map, the Bible. It will tell you which way to go when you get to a crossroad, where the one way streets are located, when to make a U-turn, when to yield and when you have the right of way, when you are about to approach high mountains, the speed limits of life, when to speed up, and when to slow down. And if you get a ticket, you can read about a MAN who fixes tickets. HE will rip up your tickets, tear them into a million tiny pieces, and cover them all with HIS precious blood. Enjoy your spiritual ride.

Beatrice Maye

Singing in the church  
Reading the Bible  
Singing Alone

Meditating on Scriptures  
Memorizing Scriptures  
Singing spontaneous praise  
Physical posturing (kneeling, dancing, etc.)  
Praying in Thanksgiving  
Interceding  
Celebrating communion  
From: Raising Children to Adore God; Instilling a Lifelong Passion for Worship  
by: Patrick Kavanaugh

English philosopher John Locke remarked: "Parents wonder why streams are bitter when they themselves have poisoned the fountain."

Dennis Rainey, an expert writes on Christian families, "The breakup of the family isn't due to a deterioration in or legislator's values, but rather to a deterioration in fathers values."

Respect Authority:

Remember that a child's basic instinct is to imitate his parents. Let your walk be equal to your talk. Give your children an illustration of "clean hands and a pure heart." (Psalm 24:4)  
Strive to make your children proud of you  
Love your spouse above your children.

RULES FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING .....

Surrender your life to Jesus Christ and join His church  
Be Christlike in thought, word and deed.  
Read the Bible and pray daily  
Never be idle. Do the task at hand well  
Make few promises  
Always speak the truth  
Never play games of chance.  
Drink no intoxicating drinks.  
Good character is above everything else. It cannot be

injured much except by your own acts.  
Keep your own secrets, if you have any.  
Do not marry until you are able to assume adult responsibilities  
If anybody speaks evil of you, let your life disprove it.  
When you speak to anyone, look into his eyes.  
Make no haste to be rich.  
Live within and tithe your income.  
Save when you are young, to spend when you are old. Be thrifty. It's not what you make but what you save.  
Good company and good conversation are the sinews of virtue.  
Never speak evil of anyone.  
Don't be a gossip.  
Keep honest if you would be happy.  
At night, think over what you have done during the day.  
Read the above carefully and thoughtfully, at least once a week.



Suejette A. Jones

It seems that our Secretary of State, Condoleezza Rice, has been a focus for attention recently — from National news writers, TV media, and tabloids (commonly

## Reflections

called "supermarket trash) which sometime carries authentic information. It is not my habit to regularly pick up a *Star*, or *Enquirer*, or *Globe*, unless some heading on the cover catches my eye. A few months ago, *Globe* featured an article: "Laura's Showdown with Condi" in which pictures of Condi and Bush were shown together, and also the picture of the Mayflower Hotel where Laura spent the night after staging a heated discussion over Condi and George's "closeness" other than White House "business." A reliable White House official verified that many meetings were actual rendezvous.

The September 15th issue of *Globe* carried a second bold cover: "Laura on Verge of Nervous Breakdown." I quote *Globe's* words: Trying to hold her marriage together in the face of George's relationship with his Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice has put unbearable strain on her. She's also had to put up with his return to drinking. Despite the turmoil in their marriage recently, with his renewed drinking and his attraction to Condi Rice, she still

loves her husband dearly." If you are an avid reader of Barry Saunder's witty and humorous articles (*News & Observer*), you may have noticed his September 9th title: "Why Make Nice to Rice?" in which refers to the comment from the cartoonist who draws the Boondockes" think all of Condi Rice's hangups stem from her seeming ability to get a man, Barry disagrees. He replies: "Not me, After the latest nonsense that has issued forth from the single secretary of state's supposedly learned mouth, it seems her hangup stems from her inability to get a history book."

Note: The writer of this article has no claim for the validity of the information. Herein, it is submitted for your information. The late Will Rogers, a nationally-known syndicated columnist often quoted: "All I know is what I read in the newspaper". (That was before the age of television and other types of media venues.)

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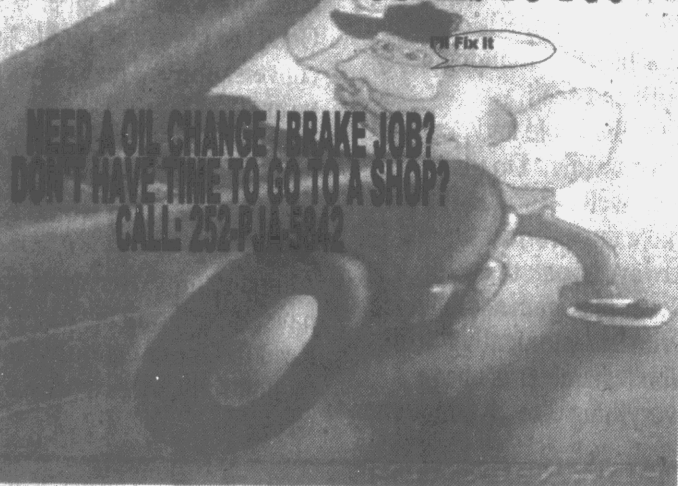
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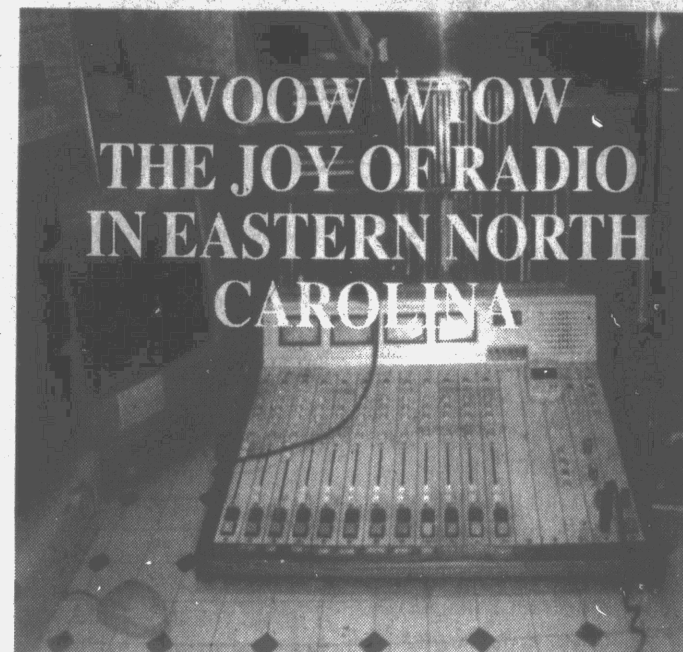
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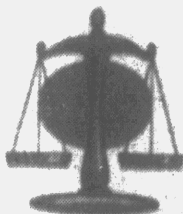
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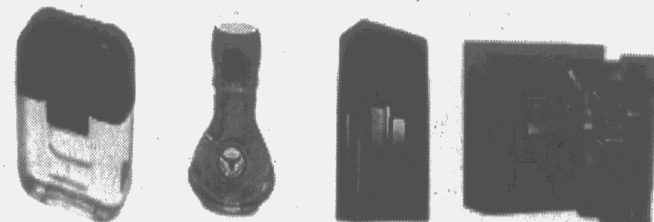
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## But, back to Justice Timmons-Goodson and her history making

*continued from front page*

She was appointed by Governor Jim Hunt in 1997 to the N.C. Court of Appeals. She ran for the post in 1998 and was elected by a statewide vote to an eight-year term, the first African-American woman to be popularly elected to the state appellate court.

Timmons-Goodson brings more than 21 years of judicial experience to the Supreme Court, more than any other candidate for Associate Justice. She was a prosecutor and a legal aid lawyer in Fayetteville, before being appointed by Governor Jim Hunt to the District Court bench in Cumberland County in 1984. She was elected to that position by the voters of Cumberland County three times – in 1986, 1990 and 1994.

She served on the District Court bench for twelve and one-half years before going to the Court of Appeals, where she served for eight and one-half years.

Justice Timmons-Goodson attributes her many successes to her close-knit family and the values that were instilled in her by her parents.

### Grew up in a military family

The Justice is one of six children born to Edward and Beulah Timmons. Her father was a career non-commissioned officer in the U.S. Army and her mother was a homemaker. Timmons-Goodson spent her early years on military bases in Germany and the United States. The family settled in Fayetteville, where she graduated from Pine Forest Senior High School in 1972.

All of the Timmons children were expected to attend college and each of

them graduated from a state-supported university. Five of the six Timmons children, including the Justice, have received graduate and professional degrees. Timmons-Goodson was awarded her Juris Doctorate from the UNC-School of Law in 1979.

While a student at UNC-CH, Timmons-Goodson served as student body secretary, was inducted into the Order of Valkyries and the Order of the Old Well, and was selected for membership on the Holderness Moot Court Bench.

The Supreme Court Justice has been married for 21 years to Dr. Ernest Goodson, a Fayetteville orthodontist. They are the proud parents to two teenage sons. The Goodsons are active members of First Baptist Church, Moore Street, in Fayetteville.

### "Eminently qualified"

When announcing his appointment of Timmons-Goodson to the Supreme Court in January, Governor Easley said that her "experience as a District Court judge and judge on the North Carolina Court of Appeals makes her eminently qualified to serve on the state's highest court. I can attest that her knowledge of the law and work ethic are superior. I am certain she will be an outstanding judge."

Justice Timmons-Goodson has served as a bar leader in positions which include Vice-President of the North Carolina Bar Association and Secretary of the Appellate Judges Conference of the American Bar Association. She has been the recipient of many notable awards such as the

UNC-Chapel Hill Distinguished Young Alumna Award, the North Carolina General Federation of Women Club's Women of Achievement Award, the Fayetteville Chapter of the NAACP Service Award, the North Carolina Legislative Black Caucus Leadership Award and the Harvey Beech Award presented by the UNC Black Alumni Reunion.

### Campaign Endorsements

Her campaign has been endorsed by many professional organizations across the state, including: The Professional Fire Fighters and Paramedics of North Carolina, North Carolina Association of Educators, North Carolina Association of Women Attorneys, North Carolina State AFL-CIO, North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers, N.C. Police Benevolent Association, the Fraternal Order of Police, and others.

Election observers warn that voters must be diligent to find Justice Timmons-Goodson's name on the November ballot. There are four races for the Supreme Court and two for the Court of Appeals on the nonpartisan ballot. This ballot will be separate from the ballot that includes races for Congress, state legislative races and county positions such as Clerk of Court and County Commissioner.

Persons voting a straight party ticket in November must also cast votes on the separate ballot in order to vote for Justice Timmons-Goodson.

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During the month of September St. John Missionary Baptist Church in Falkland celebrated its Homecoming 2006 as hundreds came out to enjoy in the fellowship, fun and food. Homecoming was and opportunity to spend time reflecting with family, friends and the community. To reflect is to take a period of time to consider and contemplate upon that which has been and that, which is to be. Each of us should periodically reflect on our commitment to the Lord and to His church. In our church we have moments of reflection as we give honor to our *Living Legends*. A Living Legend is one who has life, and life living stories from the past. We often say it or have heard it: “Give me my flowers while I yet live.” Well this is what we have decided to do to honor those who been active members in St. John MBCF for more than a half of century, continually as church leaders who are committed to God, our families, one another, our community and displaying on-going Christian growth. Our *Living Legends* have been leaders of positive influence impacting the lives of young and old. During our Homecoming celebration five of our seven *Living Legends* were there once again to influence the lives of others as they spoke from the grassy amphitheater of St. John grounds, echoing the words of wisdom ushered down from the gifts of the spirit through wisdom and experiences. As they so eloquently spoke to us about “Why it is important to stay in church,” we could see the hungry

eyes of the young, the bright eyes of the middle aged and the strong stare of the old as hundreds listened to them tell stories, sing, preach, pray and cry us into a greater relationship with our God.

If we truly reflect upon the goodness of God towards us, our reply would be similar to the reply of Israel captured by the Psalmist in Psalms 124:2 (NKJV) “If it had not been for the Lord who was on our side...”

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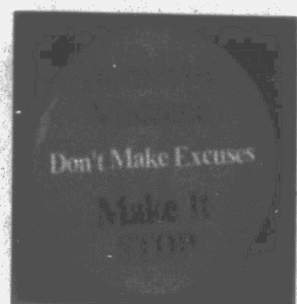


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## ECU Hosts Evening w/International Pianist

### Lecture and Concert with Internationally Acclaimed Pianist Leon Bates

by Michael Garrett

Wright Auditorium on the campus of ECU was the recent site of an extremely brilliant dual presentation by Pianist/Lecturer, Leon Bates. Dr. Bates appeared as part of ECU's S. Rudolph Alexander Performing Arts Series sponsored by the Department of University Union and The College of Fine Arts. The presentation, entitled "Reflections of Brown vs. Board of Education" offered a stunning historical lecture in which Dr. Bates shared seldom noted facts about African American achievements in the world of the classical and theatrical performing arts beginning at the earliest part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

Aside from tremendous amounts of history, Dr. Bates also included a second-to-none piano recital. Words cannot describe the experience of seeing and hearing a grand piano played with the mastery that Bates displayed. He seemed to make intricate and complicated compositions appear as easy as "Chop Sticks".

A significant portion of Dr. Bates' lecture was about the noted black spiritual

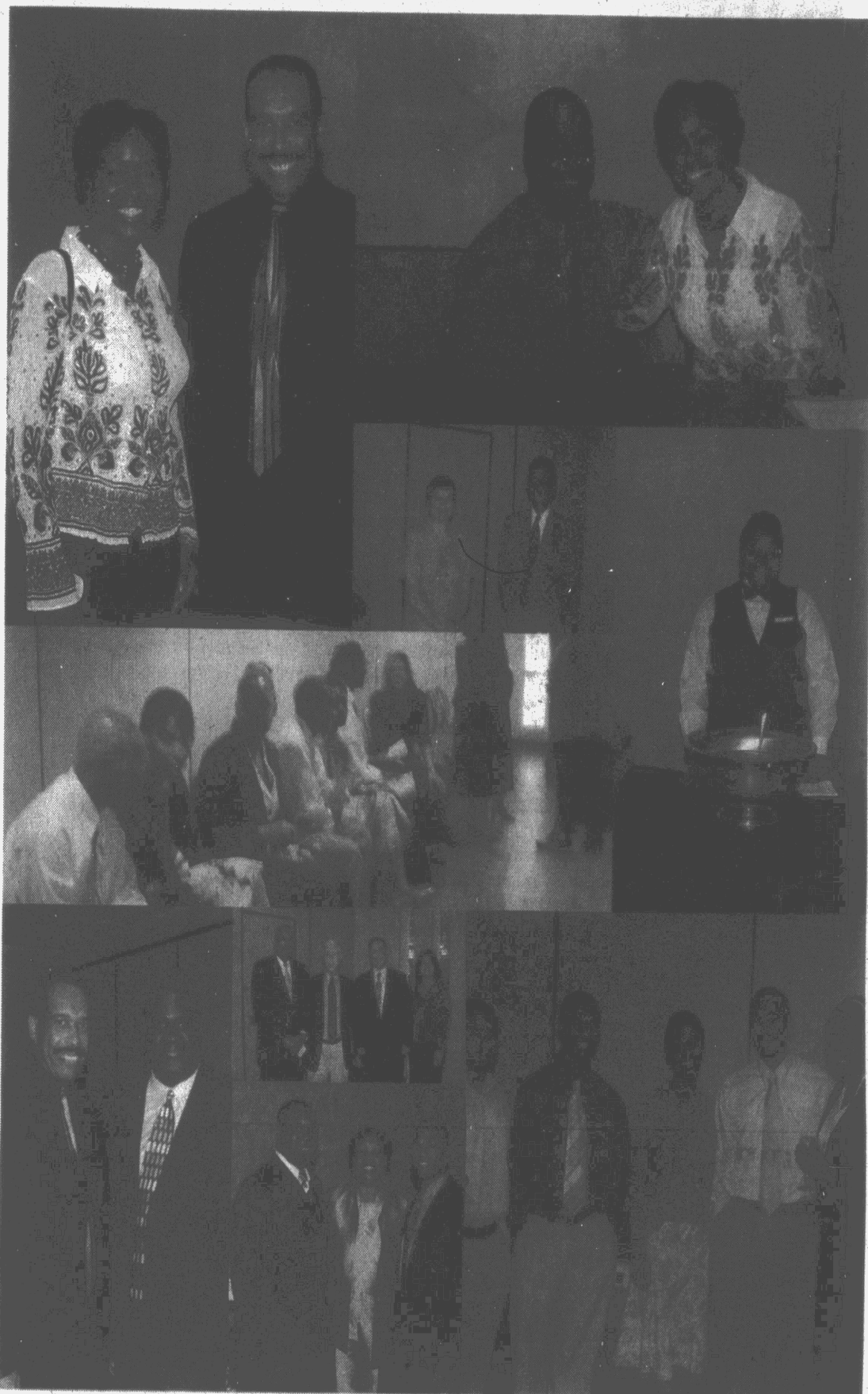
composer, Robert Detts. As it turned out, Detts was also an accomplished classical composer as well. Dr. Bates played one of his piano concertos in its entirety as an example of the level of artistry that is seldom related to black people. He recapped the achievements and struggles of many fine African American artists who could only find work on Europe's concert stages simply because American concert halls would not present black performers no matter how good they were.

Dr. Bates recalled that acclaimed soprano soloist, Marian Anderson one of such artist. Having been denied the use of Constitution Hall in Washington, DC by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), Anderson performed outdoors at the Lincoln Memorial to a standing crowd of 75,000 people. This episode gained national attention partly because then First Lady, Eleanor Roosevelt resigned her DAR membership in protest of the way Marian Anderson and others were being treated. Likewise, baritone singer Paul Roberson experienced and fought against such practices throughout his career according to Dr. Bates who seemingly could have played and lectured endlessly on the subject.

In keeping with the topic of the presentation, Dr. Bates explained how the Brown vs. Board decision impacted many artists who were forced to enter teaching after being denied stage and concert opportunities in the United States. As a consequence of this, many African American students benefited from studying under some of the world's best classical performers. Their legacies still thrive at historically black American colleges and universities. According to Dr. Bates, their influence on classical artistry is well defined.

Many in attendance had never heard of Leon Bates. Now, they will never forget him.

Editors Note: The Staff and Management of The Minority Voice Newspaper would like to express it's appreciation to Mrs Gloria J. Bailey, Assistant to the Dean for Outreach and Diversity College of Fine Arts and Communication, for bringing to the Community one of America's leading pianists, Leon Bates. Mrs Bailey is pictured with Leon Bates, top left and with her husband, Eric J. Bailey, PhD, MPH an Associate Professor on the campus of East Carolina University.



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## BLACK LEADERSHIP SUMMIT CONFERENCE

By Rev. Ozie Lee Hall, Jr.

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Local Organizers say the Summit Conference is needed because conditions in the Black Community seem to be getting worst rather than better. The Conference will focus on issues of crime, unemployment, education, housing conditions, and other issues that affect the Black community.

In the area of education, Black children are more likely to start school less prepared than White children and are not likely to catch up in later years. Black elementary school age children lag about 30 points behind White children in Federal No Child Left Behind measures. The vast majority of students suspended are Black. Black children are way

behind on SAT scores. There is still evidence that Black students are not afforded the same opportunities as White children.

Blacks are more likely to end up in jail or prison and crime is a major problem in the Black community. Black youth violence appears to be on the rise. Guns are too readily available to Black youth. Illegal drug markets fill the gap where the unemployment rate in the Black community is areas like West Greenville is nearly eight (8) times the national average. Poverty is an evil disease that must be eradicated.

The existence of poor housing conditions in the Black community is a major challenge. Many Blacks are segregated into public housing projects. Many Black families are taken advantage of by slumlord and government officials turn a blind eye to housing discrimination. Opportunities for home ownership are limited. The lack of pride of homeownership and apathy results in run down neighborhoods.

Local and National Banks redline Black neighborhoods like West Greenville. There is no accountability when Black leaders don't speak up and when the Black community is unorganized to speak as one voice. Blacks are exploited by predatory lenders, including check cashing operations and furniture and appliance rental shops. Exploitation of Black laborers is still a serious problem.

Health care fraud by Physicians and medical facilities drive health insurance cost up and make it impossible for many Blacks to afford health insurance. Many of our Senior Citizens are providers. Blacks disproportionately suffer from high blood pressure, diabetes, and other health problems associated with lack of knowledge, poor diet and lack of exercise.

Unemployment and business creation are major issues in the Black community. Black families are unstable when real opportunities for stable and adequate incomes are unavailable.

Black children need mentoring and the total Black community needs guidance and direction.

The Black community has not produce a comprehensive plan of action to address the many problems that exist. Black leaders have no broad based leadership council that gathers data about the problems, investigates potential solutions, or works together to solve the problems. Experience shows that the Black community cannot rely on other to solve the problems in the Black community.

Rev. Ozie Lee Hall, Jr. says that "since about 1992 the 3rd NC Senate District, and the 8th NC House District have been carved out by the Legislature and the Justice Department as majority Black districts. Black Leaders in Pitt County have not been able to get control of these important elected positions since 1992. These two elected positions control tens of millions of government dollars and influence hundreds of millions of private dollars that flow into this area. These resources could be directed to improve the quality of life in the Black community. Blacks must gain control of these positions in the 2008 elections. We pray that the November 11, 2006 Black Leadership Summit Conference will start the process to help us come together to develop a single agenda in the Black community. We need a twenty year action plan."

Local Organizers say that Blacks need a fair share of the existing jobs, opportunities, and resources in this community. We also need to create employment and attract businesses to this community that are committed to hiring Black residents. We need to take charge of eliminating crime in our neighborhoods. If Black leaders don't take a stand it is not in anyone else's interest to fix our problems for us. We must do it. We must make our neighborhoods safe, create jobs, mentor our children, and improve our housing conditions. The Black community faithfully contributes millions of dollars each year in tithes to local Churches. Black Church leaders are especially called upon to participate in the November 11, 2006, Pitt County Black Leadership Summit Conference.

Local Organizers are asking Black Elected Officials, Black Ministers and Clergy, Community and Civil Rights Organization Leaders, Black Fraternities and Sororities, and concerned Black citizens to participate in the November 11, 2006 conference.

(For more information contact: oziehall@hotmail.com)

# Heroes



Scott

Ben

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Alec

Four heroes are looking for one more. **You.**

These heroes have a lot in common. They love sports. They enjoy hanging out with their friends. And, they're all living with type 1 (juvenile) diabetes. But you have the power to change their future and help advance research that may find answers to curing juvenile diabetes.

Join Scott, Ben, Meredith, Alec and others at this year's JDRF Walk to Cure Diabetes on November 4 at Pitt County Fairgrounds. Sign up or make your donation online at [www.jdrf.org](http://www.jdrf.org) or call us at (800) 377-0476. Being a hero may never be this easy again.

WALK TO CURE DIABETES



JDRF ad sponsorship provided by Pitt County Memorial Hospital and the Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University.



Pitt Memorial Hospital Foundation

During walk registration, Pitt Memorial Hospital Foundation will be providing diabetes awareness materials, including a screening tool and education information.

NOVEMBER 4, 2006 / PITT COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS / 9:00 am-12:00 pm

<b>Manager's Special</b> <b>FREE Cheesesticks</b> with the Purchase of any Large Pizza at Regular Menu Price	<b>Early Week Special</b> Medium One Topping <b>\$5.99 2 for \$10.99</b> (Mon.-Wed. carryout only)	<b>Pizza Combo Meal</b> One Topping Pizza, Any Size and 2-Liter Coke Medium <b>\$14.99</b> Large <b>\$16.99</b>	<b>Two Pizzas</b> Two One Topping Pizzas Medium <b>\$13.99</b> Large <b>\$17.99</b> Add Cheesesticks for \$1.99
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**Community Christian Church**  
 Pastors James & Delores Corbett

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Department	St. Peter Max Ep't Church	1 adult Chris Field	ASAT Party & Tent Rentals	Cash & Williams - St. James
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Pitt Community College	Flam Hot Rollers Salon	Creative Sign Co	Bo Agency Professional	Carmela Thomas
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Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Community Christian Church is hosting a  
**Birthday/Appreciation Banquet**  
 entitled "Fit for a King"

honoring

**Pastor James D. Corbett**

**Sunday, October 29, 2006**

**2:30 p.m.**

**Greenville Hilton**

**Attire**

**Men: Black Tuxedos**

**Women: Floor length, formal gowns**

**Ages 16 years old and older ONLY**

**Cost: \$30 per person**

Tickets may be purchased at:  
 Community Christian Church  
 1104 N. Memorial Drive  
 (across from Pitt Greenville Airport)  
 Greenville, NC 27834

For more information or to R.S.V.P., please call  
 252-752-5683



# FAST FACT IN HONOR OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

With the recent passing of Senate Bill 1029, North Carolina is the second state in the nation to enact comprehensive legislation to protect victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking against tenant discrimination.

Senate Bill 1029 protects victims from discrimination by landlords and provides a statutory framework for allowing victims to change locks or terminate their leases when necessary to escape from a perpetrator.



## LOOK AGAIN

At the Leo W. Jenkins Cancer Center, we understand that early detection is the key to treating breast cancer and protecting your breast health.

That's why we are offering a free breast cancer screening this month. As part of the screening, you will receive educational information, a clinical breast exam and instructions on performing monthly breast self-exams.

The American Cancer Society recommends that women receive regular breast exams:

20-39 years: a clinical exam at least once every three years.

40 years and older: a clinical exam and a mammogram every year.

### Free Breast Cancer Screening

Saturday, October 21

8:00 - 11:00 am

Leo W. Jenkins Cancer Center  
Moye Boulevard, Greenville

Between Pitt County Memorial Hospital  
and the Brody Medical Sciences Building  
Appointment is required. Call 847-6018

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## CANDIDATES COME OUT TO REQUEST YOUR VOTE

The Pitt County SCLC sponsored a "Meet The Candidates" forum at the Greenville Hilton Inn in preparation for the General Election to be held November 7, 2006. Coordinated and facilitated by Atty. Derrick Brown, the forum provided an opportunity for interested citizens to informally talk with various candidates of which 13 were in attendance. Each candidate was



also given an opportunity to address the entire audience, which was a respectable cross-section of voters from in and around Pitt County. The first candidate to address the group was Democratic Congressman G.K. Butterfield of the 1<sup>st</sup> Congressional District which includes Pitt and surrounding counties. Congressman Butterfield emphasized the war in the Middle East and reminded those in attendance that we are spending approximately one hundred thousand dollars per minute as the war continues. He also noted the current scandal in Washington involving Congressional Pages and suggested that this is an example of the lack of personal integrity that needs to be restored for the sake of the nation.

Craig Weber, who is opposing Congressman Walter B. Jones for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District seat also made mention of the Page scandal by saying the Speaker of the House, Dennis Hastert knew of the situation long before it became national news. In closing his comments, Weber stressed that "we must take back our country". Other candidates who addressed the forum included the following:

Todd Siebels, candidate for the NC Senate's District 5; Hood Richardson, who is vying for NC House in District 6; Edith Warren, unopposed House Representative from District 8; Marian McLawhorn and Tony Moore, candidates for NC House, District 9; Tom Johnson, Sr., candidate for Pitt County Commissioner, District 3B along with Jimmy Garris who is running for re-election as Commissioner from District 5C and Kenneth Ross, who is running for the County Commissioner from District 6B.

Candidates for Judgeships who attended were Eric Levinson, Joe Blick and Daniel Entzminger. Absent candidates who sent letters which were read at the forum were Arthur Williams (NC House District 6), Joe Tripp, County Commissioner candidate for seat 5C and Patricia Timmons-Goodson who is running for a seat on the NC Supreme Court.

Those who came also were encouraged to look forward to other upcoming candidate forums such as one being planned by the League of Women Voters in the very near future.



## Polling Place Changes

Pending US Justice Department Approval

Five precincts will make use of new polling places for the November 7<sup>th</sup> General Election. If you are in one of the affected precincts you will receive a new voter card in the mail before the election. If you do not receive a voter registration card or have questions about voting, contact the County Board of Elections Office. These changes were made in an effort to make voting more accessible for you, the voter.



Voters in the **Falkland Precinct (0701)** will now be voting at the Falkland Community Building located at 5901 S. Main St., Falkland.



Voters in the **Greenville #6 Precinct (1506)** will now be voting in the South Annex of First Pentecostal Holiness Church located at 190 Plaza Blvd., Greenville.



Voters in the **Greenville #7A Precinct (1507A)** will now be voting in the Christian Life Ministries Center of St. James United Methodist Church located at 2000 E. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Greenville.



Voters in the **Greenville #7C Precinct (1507C)** will now be voting in the Christian Life Ministries Center of St. James United Methodist Church located at 2000 E. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Greenville.



Voters in the **Greenville #12B Precinct (1512B)** will now be voting at the University Church of Christ located at 100 Crestline Blvd., Greenville.



Contact the Board of Elections with any questions.

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Greenville, NC 27858

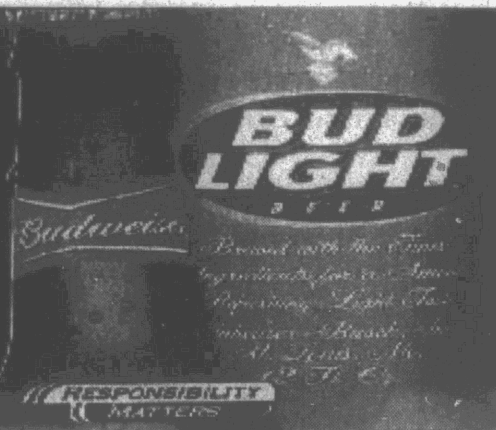
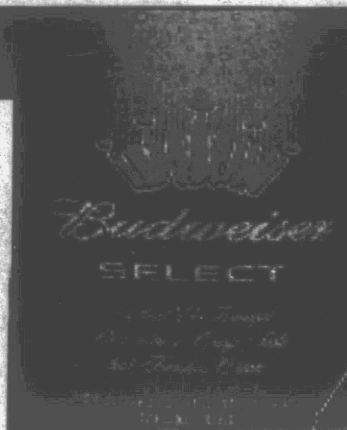
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# salutes THE JACKIE ROBINSON BASEBALL LEAGUE



**Satchel Paige**  
(1906-1982)

Satchel Paige was the nearest thing to a legend that ever came out of the Negro Leagues. The tall, lanky right hander parlayed a pea-sized fastball, nimble wit, and a colorful personality into a household name that is recognized by people who know little about baseball itself, and even less about the players who performed in the Jim Crow era of organized baseball. His name has become synonymous with the barnstorming exhibitions played between traveling black teams and their white counterparts. A mixture of fact and embellishment, Satchel's stories are legion. From this rich array of folklore come stories of his pulling outfielders to sit behind the mound while he proceeded to strike out the side with the tying run on base; stories of him intentionally walking the bases loaded so that he could pitch to Josh Gibson, the most dangerous hitter in black baseball; stories of him repeatedly striking out the first nine batters he faced in exhibition games; stories of him throwing twenty straight pitches across a chewing gum wrapper that was being used for home plate; stories of him throwing so hard that the ball disappeared before it reached the catcher's mitt. And the stories go on. They are endless. But the facts are also impressive. Satchel began his professional career in 1926 and soon thereafter established himself as a gate attraction and began playing the year around. His greatest popularity came when he joined the Pittsburgh Crawfords during the early 1930's and for whom he compiled marks of 32-7 and 31-4 in 1932-33. His stay there was interrupted with frequent salary disputes during which intervals Satch would barnstorm against all levels of competition. Ultimately he jumped to the Dominican Republic, and then to Mexico, where he developed a sore arm in 1938. After signing with the Kansas City Monarchs, his arm "came back," and he also developed a curve and his famous hesitation pitch to add to his "bee-ball," "jump-ball," "trouble-ball," "long-ball" and the other pitches in his repertoire. Satchel pitched the Monarchs to four consecutive Negro American League Pennants (1939-42), culminating in a clean sweep of the powerful Homestead Grays in the 1942 World Series, with Satchel himself winning three of the games. 1948 as the oldest rookie ever to play major league baseball. In 1971, on the proudest day of his life, Satchel was elected to the National Baseball Hall of Fame, becoming the first player elected from the Negro Leagues.

